## United States Environmental Protection Agency Criminal Investigation Division Investigative Activity Report

### **Case Number**

0506-0026

Case Title: Reporting Office:

Ferguson Enterprises Inc. Detroit, MI, Resident Office

Subject of Report: Activity Date:

Interview of (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) employee of the Detroit April 17, 2009

Housing Commission.

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Reporting Official and Date:

**Approving Official and Date:** 

(b)(6), (b) (7)(C) , RAC 24-APR-2009, Signed by: (b)(6), (b) (7) , RAC (b)(6), (b) (7)(C) , SAC 15-MAY-2009, Approved by:(b)(6), (b) , SAC

SYNOPSIS

04/17/2009 - U.S. EPA CID Special Agent (SA) (b)(6), (b) (7)(C) and U.S. HUD OIG SA (b)(6), (b) (7)(C) interviewed (b)(6), (b) (7(b)(6), employee of the Detroit Housing Commission (DHC), regarding (b) interactions and observations of the demolition of the Temple Towers building in January of 2006.

#### **DETAILS**

On April 17, 2009, U.S. EPA CID Special Agent (SA) (b)(6), (b) (7)(C) and U.S. HUD OIG SA (b)(6), (b) (7)(C) interviewed (b)(6), (b) (7(b)(6), employee of the Detroit Housing Commission (DHC), regarding (b) interactions and observations of the demolition of the Temple Towers building in January of 2006. Also present for most of the interview was (b)(6), (b) (b)(6), Executive Officer of the DHC. After being informed of the identity of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview, (b)(6), provided the following information:

(b)(6), holds a professional builders license and has over fifteen years of experience in the buildings trade. (b)(6), (b) current title with the DHC is Capital Asset Manager and (b) duties include monitoring funds for construction activities. (b)(6), visited the Temple Towers site several times prior to it being demolished by the City of Detroit. (b)(6), recalled making reports to the DHC legal staff that the building was sound, and suitable for rehabilitation. (b)(6), also recalled accompanying (b) (b)(6), (b)(7), a professional engineer and building architect, on (b) inspection of the site. (b)(6), recalled (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) report citing the presence of asbestos in the Temple Towers building, and remembered seeing components (b) suspected would contain asbestos when (b) accompanied Cryderman on the inspection. (b)(6), does not hold any certificates or licenses in asbestos materials but is familiar with it from (b) experience in the building trade.

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(b)(6), also visited the site during the demolition activities but explained that (b) just drove around the site and did not get out of (car. (b)(6), took photos of the demolition activities at the site, which (b) printed and provided to the agents after the interview was concluded.

(b)(6), explained that there were additional photographs and possibly reports which (b)(6), would locate and provide at a later date.

### ATTACHMENT

(b)(6), (b) (b)(6), Photos DHC

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